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"Right is More Precious than Peace"

## LIBERTY DAY.

Today is the day which has been designated by President Wilson as Liberty day, that the people of the country may assemble in their respective communities and liberally pledge anew their financial support to sustain the nation's cause. Governors of states who have the power have been asked to declare it a legal holiday, or the afternoon a half-holiday for the holding of patriotic demonstrations in every city, town and hamlet, throughout the land.

The purpose of this day is to arouse a deeper interest in the third Liberty loan and the object for which it is being raised. Even though there are not a few instances where the governors cannot take the step requested there need be no fear that there will not be a widespread rally to the appeal. It is even probable that just as great if not a greater response will be made to the effort to give the loan a mighty boost where the day is not a holiday as there would be if it was.

Demonstrations will be held, patriotism will be pushed to the front and around by parades and rallies and there will be a keen endeavor upon the part of every citizen, young and old, to accomplish the full object of lessening the parsings. This can be done even if we do not lay aside our work. It is time to awaken and as the president says "express in unmistakable terms the determination of America to fight for peace, the permanent peace of justice." You are of course going to do your part.

## M. E. STONE'S QUARTER CENTURY

It was an important milestone which was recently passed in the history of the Associated Press and likewise in the career of Melville E. Stone, the general manager of the news gathering organization. It was therefore highly fitting that this double anniversary should have been observed in the manner which it was at the annual meeting for as was said there, the Associated Press has never had a greater man in that position since it has never had any other. It is impossible therefore to overlook the magnificent service which he has rendered in that position for the organization as it stands today. It is a monument to his ideas and efforts. The service which he has rendered speaks for itself through this great organization which is in constant touch with the entire world.

A quarter of a century of such indefatigable efforts was bound to bring results and is entitled to recognition, but it was characteristic of the general manager that he should attribute no small share of the credit to those who have worked so closely and diligently with and under him. It was necessary that there should be such cooperation to attain success, but it is nevertheless impossible to overlook the leadership which is a view of the character of the organization and the many difficulties confronting the task has brought remarkable results. It is through his activities, the high plane upon which he has placed the news-gathering organization and the constant endeavor for even greater attainments that the high standard of journalism to which reference was made has become possible. The tributes which were paid to his work were not overdrawn; they were fully deserved.

## HOLLAND ANOTHER BELGIUM?

Until something more definite in the way of facts concerning the differences between Holland and Germany are obtainable there is bound to be deep anxiety not only among the Dutch but likewise among the allied nations. That Germany is trying to force Holland to grant it the use of certain of its rail and water facilities that a short cut across Dutch territory may be obtained for the benefit of Germany and its operations in Belgium is plainly indicated. Just how the matter stands is uncertain. There is little doubt but what Holland will insist upon maintaining its neutrality to the very last, but the report to the effect that the Dutch minister at Berlin and the German minister at The Hague have departed for their respective countries gives indication that the negotiations which have been underway between the nations have

not resulted in Holland getting Germany to respect its rights and property.

Just what the plans of Germany are have not been disclosed. It is more than probable that it intends to do more than transport sand and gravel. Everything points to the fact that it intends to bring about a greater utilization of its great forces, now that the western front by moving them across Holland even as it did across Belgium in order to gain a quick advantage and strike at a new point. Such being the case a little obstacle like neutral Holland will not be allowed to stand in the way. The Holland will not submit to it any more passively than did Belgium is to be believed from the attitude of its people, but in the meantime the allies cannot fail to be getting preparations underway for a counter move.

## CHANCE FOR OTHER OPERATIONS.

Whether or not it was possible for the British to have made more of the raid that was conducted against Zeeland and the possibilities of something which can be better judged by those who were directing the attack. The same is to be said about the belief which exists in some quarters that still greater preparations should have been made so that greater advantage might have been taken of the conditions as they found them. As some things could have been turned to a still greater benefit to the allies.

It is entirely possible that the blocking of the ports was accomplished with much greater ease than was anticipated, that the British warships circulated in the harbors for some time without serious molestation and that had there been a sufficiently large landing force waiting in the offing to take advantage of the situation that the two ports and even more of the coast in that vicinity might be today in the hands of the British and, as such, a troublesome thorn in the side of Germany.

If such was the case, although imagination is apt to run wild in regard to the possibilities of such operations without knowing the actual conditions, it appears to be another instance like that in the surprise drive on Cambrai by General Byng where there were not sufficient supporting reserves to maintain the ground which was gained from the Germans because of the extent of the possible success had not been anticipated and prepared for.

The move against Zebrugge has undoubtedly given the British much valuable help and information, and disclosed the way for future and more extensive operations.

## HARM FROM LACK OF UNDERSTANDING.

Not a little sentiment has prevailed in the country in favor of a declaration of war against Bulgaria and Turkey, the belief being that inasmuch as these countries are allies of Germany and Austria that their representatives should not be permitted to have all the advantages which are extended to them to obtain facts with which to keep the allies of their countries in the dark. It is recognized of course that should war be declared as urged by Senator King and supported by other members of that body that it would not in all probability mean the sending of armies from this country against those nations. It would simply clear up the unusual situation of being at peace with nations which are fighting those countries with which we are allied in our war activities.

Slight, however, cannot be lost of the fact that it has been repeatedly urged that there are also advantages which are to be gained by not making such a declaration of war. Misadventures which are in touch with conditions in those two countries have advised against it for the better protection of Americans there. The administration has likewise stood out against such a move ever since war was declared against Austria. That those who are in possession of the inside information know what is not generally known is to be indicated by the fact that following a conference at President Wilson's summer home, the president withdrew. This, however, emphasized the fact that if there was a better understanding between the administration and congress such moves would not be made.

## EDITORIAL NOTES.

The man on the corner says: Skip-stops are popular with those who live near the corner where the car stops.

As good as a shot as the Hindu plotter was he failed to excel the sheriff of the courtroom in his marksmanship.

The American casualty list makes it evident that the soldiers from this side of the water are not dodging their duty.

It ought not to require a legal holiday for the people of this country to show enough patriotism to make the Liberty loan campaign a success.

Evidence continues to pile up concerning the great detriment which sheep-killing dogs are to the sheep-raising industry.

If the effort to bottle up the German submarine bases has not succeeded there is good and sufficient reason for repeating the operation.

Hobson's trick in the Spanish unpleasantness doesn't appear to have been forgotten even during the stress of much greater war activities.

The slackers in the Liberty loan campaign are simply extending an invitation to the Kaiser to come over and take the money away from them.

Connecticut swells with pride at the news that its men were numbered among the heroes at the battle of Selcheptry. Its expectations are certainly being realized.

It was to be expected that Germany would claim the credit of sinking those cement laden ships which the British took to the Belgian coast to block the channels of Zebrugge and Ostend.

There ought to be no difficulty in recruiting that army of a million cats which General Pershing wants for the fighting of the rats in the trenches of France. But how he must long for that famous old piper of Hamelin.

Inasmuch as Germany has given Holland permission to transport cement across Germany from Switzerland, the Dutch may be blamed for the large amount of cement which the British were able to dump in the channel leading to Zebrugge.

## GETTING HER ATTENTION

"I debated a long time" said the eligible middle-aged bachelor, "about coming to call on you this evening."

"I'm glad you heroically managed to put it over," said the pretty young woman a trifle tartly. "Life is filled with these unpleasant duties."

"Now, Hortense," chided the bachelor, sitting down beside her "when you know that every time I go down your front steps I begin counting the minutes till I can walk up them again. No. The reason I hesitated was that of late you have been so much engaged otherwise, you—"

"Excuse me," said the pretty girl, "that's Alice. I told her that if she called up this evening I would give her directions about a sock. Yes, Alice, after you've purled four inches you knit plain for four and then you purle, but you won't get so far as that tonight and you'll forget if I explain it now. Not at all, dear. Good-by."

"That's all," said the bachelor when she returned. "I was about purling now than I know about running a bank and I've been in a bank since I ate porridge. I tell you, purling is shattering my state of happiness."

"All men are selfish and demand attention," said the pretty girl, "but you are actually proud of your sins. I—excuse me, there's the phone!"

The bachelor groaned. "Hello, Edith," the pretty girl was saying. "No I won't be at the surgical dressings tomorrow morning because I am going to that lecture at Mrs. Bump's. No, you cut them crosswise, and Mrs. Smith will show you how to fold—not at all! Three thousand and two! Yes, indeed! Good-by."

"H'm!" commented the bachelor. "There you go again. No matter what I have in mind to say, that infernal telephone will get in the way. I'll bet you've hired a small boy to sit at the phone in the corner drug store and call you up every five minutes."

"You are perfectly ridiculous," she told me. "How can I help it? And you would have time to tell me the story of your life while you are scolding about it if you'd conserve your temper."

"But you aren't interested," he objected. "You—"

## GLEANED FROM FOREIGN EXCHANGES

How the "All Clear!" Boy Scouts do love their labors as heralds of good tidings in the silent watches of the night. They were out on their rounds yesterday morning. They had had a long wait, and boyish energies had accumulated till the leads must blow or burst. In one district the buglers sounded the "all clear!" and the "all clear!" every two houses, and not all in the same key. One lusty soloist found his formal "G. C." "G. C." insufficient, so he repeated out as he went, "all clear!" the cookhouse door, boys came to the cookhouse door with a force that would have drawn the British army.

Except on political platforms in the country the Sinn Fein leaders are little known by sight to the Irish public. Mr. De Valera, their chief, for example, would scarcely be recognized in Dublin, outside of the headquarters in Harcourt street, though his picture is sold on the quays. The son of a Spanish father and an Irish mother, he has a foreign air, and a most unusual young man, whose friends describe him as a scholar with a sword in his hand. He lives in a modest house at Graystones, near Dublin.

It is not the dogfish, writes a correspondent, which displays itself in pink cutlets upon the fishermen's stands as rock salmon, but the cod is the trade name for catfish (Siluridae), of which there are more than a thousand species. The name is derived from the resemblance of the head and back to the head of a cat. It is an excellent fish, ranking 50 per cent higher in price than dogfish in the controller's scale. During eleven months of last year 35,000 cwt. of catfish were caught in the old Chesapeake, of dogfish recorded only 32,000 pounds.

There were the usual courtesies as to precedence in the use of the word "it's very English," said the man in the corner. "In Scandinavia you can tell the nationality of a man by the way he lights his cigarette. A Swede strikes a match, uses a throw and throws it away. A Dane uses the match first, and then offers it to you. The Norwegian strikes a match, offers it to you, and then uses the match and throws it away."

The discharged soldier is making his influence felt on the land. The country distinction of a cat in a plaid flag, offered by the board of agriculture to those ploughing the greatest acreage has been secured in Worcester-shire by two private soldiers who, having fought in the trenches, are now charged medically unfit. It is less than six months since they had their first lesson in tractor ploughing. Today they are the ploughing champions in the Midland county of hops and cider.

General Salmon took good figurative notice when he saw our men have their tails up. The hyena, when feinting for a fight, curls his between his legs, lest it should be bitten off, but the lion, with all his pride, curls his tail up to get a better view of his opponent. One of them "swanked" into the army at 16. He came into the writer's study early in the war "to have a look what the cat was saying about these Hun Johnnies," and while he thumbed over the index he put out of his pocket on to the floor a little time rabbit. He has his tail up now!

He has a chin. The reference to the R. F. C. after the rabbit man had had appalling experiences and won promotion. They learned at the same aviation school, and were to go out together. The rabbit man, the rabbitier (aftermath of gas), the chub went out first. He has just had his first joy day—a ripping fight over the German front. He has his chin up, but the diving German shot him badly in the leg. He flew on to his appointed objective, bombed the right drum, returned, crawled out, and faintly, from loss of blood and access of triumph.

The Somme, along the banks of which the greatest battle of the world has ever witnessed has been away during these eventful days, is associated with the earliest known military annals of France. It is the ancient Somme, mentioned by Julius Caesar, who met the chieftains of Gaul at Samarbriva, which means "the bridge across the Somme." In the autumn of B. C. 54, and passed the following winter on the bank. The usually peaceful canalized river is also connected with our own earliest military history. It was from the eastern end of the Somme that Caesar started on his second invasion of Britain.

When the Kaiser returns thanks to Krupp for guns which massacre congregations of women and children in their churches he is, in a measure,

"Excuse me," the pretty girl said deprecatingly as the bell shrilled again. "Oh, hello, Oscar! No, not at all. I'm in. I'm in. I'm in. I'm in. I'll certainly be there. Thank you! Good-by."

She returned to find the eligible bachelor sitting bolt upright with fire in his eyes. "Who's he? Who's he? Oscar, may I ask? Of course, I do not pretend to keep the list of your friends, yet I am tolerably familiar with the bevy and it numbers in it no Oscar. I've got used to the six troubles typified by six young men who are giving me a run for my money—and now have you the nerve to add a seventh for me to size up and agonize. He has more hair than I have and still plays tennis while I've taken up golf! Oscar! I never did like that name. Where is he and who is he?"

"The pretty girl," said the bachelor, "fond of Oscar," she said dreamily. "I don't know any one I rely on more. He does so much for me. He—well, he's the best of our club members and a mighty good one."

"Oh, shucks!" growled the bachelor. "Well, he's an interruption—"

"Excuse me," said the pretty girl, "I'm in. I'm in. I'm in. I'm in. I'll certainly be there. Thank you! Good-by."

"I wish you could hear yourself," the bachelor told her gloomily when she returned. "You sound like a picture gallery but in the end you don't answer that thing if it rings again! Three separate evenings I've called to ask you something and your rushes to the phone have shot all my ideas to pieces."

"What did you want to ask me?" asked the pretty girl a bit nervously. "I—I don't see what you can have to say which is so important. What is it, Henry?"

"I wanted your undivided attention," said the bachelor firmly, "on one of the great questions of the day. I—er I'm sorry, but I've got to go. I'm busy as all this while ago. I'll bet you've hired a small boy to sit at the phone in the corner drug store and call you up every five minutes."

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## WOMAN SAVED MUCH SUFFERING

By taking Friend's Advice and Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

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Perhaps it may seem an extravagant statement to say that this great remedy saved a life; but women like Mrs. Hall, to whom it has brought health, appreciate the danger and suffering they have escaped too well to doubt it. All who suffer should try it. Why risk life and health without it?

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coming quite futuristic in appearance. Yesterday we noticed one warrior's tunic which bore four chevrons, one red and three blue for service in France; two gold stripes for two wounds; three more chevrons with a crown above them, each one for the rank of company quartermaster sergeant. On the left of his tunic he had the ribbons of the D. C. M., two South African war medals and the British war medal. He was a real hero of many colors earned under difficult conditions.

The Americans are "rushing" invaluable help for the sick and famished people of Palestine. American missionaries reached Jerusalem on the heels of General Allenby's army, and they send home glowing reports of the Hebrew hospital, the Bethlehem clinic, the Jaffa orphanage, and the Jerusalem dispensary. The conditions in Syria are appalling, and the need for food, fuel, clothing and medical supplies is simply overwhelming.

No one of men during the nineteenth century struck more deadly blows for freedom than did the spiritual soldiers and pioneers of America—London Chronicle.

## THIRD LIBERTY LOAN

MY WORLD SERIES DOUGH.

By Billy Evans the American League umpire who really writes his own stuff.

Thrill in any crisis is a great asset. The Liberty Loan is teaching most forcibly this lesson to the people of the United States. The Liberty Loan right now is doing a great duty. It is enabling our Government to defend the very thing the word "liberty" implies. That is a great service in itself. The good effect of the loan however, will be temporary. It will tell a great story in the future. It will have taught the American people the real value of economy.

The purchased of Liberty bonds by a great many people meant the sacrifice of many things, which at the time seemed necessities. A few months of denial have made what in many cases seemed luxuries. Most of us have learned it is not nearly so hard to deny some of the things which seemed to have come to be a part of our lives. A sacrifice here and there has been turned into a Liberty bond, the most praiseworthy investment any loyal American could make.

In 1915, when I officiated in the world's series between Boston and Philadelphia, I took my share of the prize fund and bought for myself an automobile. I never knew myself as quickly and spent equally fast. At that time I anticipated using a part of any world's series money in the future to cater to my motor desires. Then came the Liberty Loan. Instead of putting part of my 1917 prize money into a new car, I decided the old one would suffice. I'm getting along nicely without it, and have a number of Liberty bonds instead of a new car. They keep moving, after the auto and other luxuries are forgotten.

## MEN WHO CAME BACK

IN THE WHEAT FIELDS NEAR ALBERT.

By Sergt. A. J. Finlay, 29 Battalion, C. E. F.

This last drive has brought the Hun back to the trenches we took from them a few years ago. I remember the wheat field we drove them out of not far from Albert on the Somme.

In 1918 they thought they were set for a "craver." Whatever a man's place in the organization, he generally looks upon his work as a transient duty, to be discharged as well as possible in the shortest time possible, and to see about the dawn of home. Nevertheless it adds immensely to the spirit of the army for the soldier to realize that, while he is in the service, he is not for a moment a guest in the land of the enemy, but a man who has a right to be there. They do not a malignant salivary portent for some prostrate people.

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We stood there laughing at the sight, and then with one impulse ran forward. Before we knew it we had the second trench, but it is a fact that we do not to this day know who gave the order, or if an order was ever given. It seemed like spontaneous action. The Germans saw it was up with them and they ran.

In that second trench we found some things that tasted good to us: bread and meat, beer and wine. Their mail was coming up, too, and we got their parcels. There was no person in the food or drink that time. They were far from expecting us.

It was a wonderful sight to see our artillery, seen up close, and to see those big guns placed and turned on the enemy.

Now in April 1918, the Germans are back on the same ground. There would be there helping our boys right now, but there is still shrapnel or something in my forehead that the doctors have not yet dug out. But I'm sure that there are more men on recruiting duty. It doesn't do any good for a man to tell me he has a wife and three children. So have I.

## Views of the Vigilantes

THE PRUSSIAN VULTURES

By Augustus Thomas  
Of the Vigilantes

In Bombay and other centers of the Parsee faith there are no burials, only cremations. When a Parsee dies his body is carried to the Towers of Silence. These white walls rise from the crest of a high hill. Seen from a distance, they are surrounded always by a funeral and fretted and uneasy fringe, composed of waiting vultures whose office it is to feed upon human flesh.

These vultures are gifted with extraordinary eyes. They can see further than almost any other bird and when they rise and circle in ghoulish preparation, the watcher knows they think some funeral is about to furnish their repulsive sustenance.

En, the silhouette they resemble eagles. They have the wings and claws and beaks of eagles but a kind of leprous nudity has left them bare and ulcerous downward from the crown to the pompous plumage of the gorge. No doubt they estimate themselves as veritable eagles; and as far as egotism and bad odor and quarrelsome can isolate, they are imperial.

In human history the Prussian vultures are of their variety. With straining sight they have been known to sit for forty years waiting to devour, and when the obscene scavenger of Potsdam soar into their post-lunatic skies, they drool a malignant salivary portent for some prostrate people.

## OTHER VIEW POINTS

Few Americans think of army service as a "career." Whatever a man's place in the organization, he generally looks upon his work as a transient duty, to be discharged as well as possible in the shortest time possible, and to see about the dawn of home.

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America, ringing true in its love of democracy, today sees this struggle against Prussianism without equivocations or ambiguities. Ireland holding back in refusing to send men into the fighting lines, will lose American sympathy. A crisis that threatens to see back the dawn of home rule for a long period to come hangs over Ireland. This tying up of industries in paralysis at a time of extreme danger is an act of self-interest to thrust the blame of the question upon the attention in priority to the

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